



# AGC/WSDOT ROADWAY TEAM

## **MINUTES for 10/31/2002 Meeting** AGC Office, Tacoma WA

### **Attending:**

Frank Scarsella  
Jeff Peterson  
Jim Spaid

David Jones  
Joe Spink  
Bill Grady

Gordon Olson  
Ray Arnold

### **Minutes of September 19, 2001 Meeting**

Distributed copies and no added comments made.

### **Old Business**

Minutes of Other Team Meetings –The Administration Team Minutes for October 18, 2002, were distributed. A discussion of lump sum traffic control included the following comments. Jeff Peterson of Kiewit Pacific Company expressed concerns about how changes to traffic control would be handled. He was particularly concerned about who would pay for an increased effort ordered by the Project Engineer. Gordon Olson and Ray Arnold both of WSDOT commented that it should work fine on the simpler jobs. Bill Grady of KLB Construction echoed these comments that it will be hard to make it work on projects with multiple utilities and other more complex projects. Gordon made the observation that the traffic control plans will need to be more detailed and specific to the project. Most the contractors represented at the meeting are not subcontracting out the traffic control. Jim Spaid of WSDOT agreed that in the highly urbanized areas the lump sum would be difficult. Gordon agreed that the rural non-interstate highways are probably the best choice for lump sum traffic control. Jim suggested contacting the Administrative Team with any additional comments and concerns.

Erosion Control Specification Changes Jim Spaid informed the group that the revisions will be coming out in the next amendment package on December 2, 2002.

Environmental Compliance Assurance Procedure for Construction Projects and Activities Transportation Permit Efficiency and Accountability Committee (TPEAC) is a group called together by legislative action to streamline the environmental permit process. Jim Spaid is a member of a subcommittee that is developing a process to insure compliance, monitoring and reporting of environmental issues. Jim will distribute the latest draft

procedure at the next meeting. The procedure is focus primarily on how WSDOT staff will react to certain environmental triggers on the project site. However, contractors play a key role and the AGC has asked that contractors be included in the identification and notification process outlined in the procedure. How or where this may be included in contract language is yet to be determined.

## **New Business**

### Curing of Concrete Test Cylinders

David Jones informed the Committee of an effort under way to addressing contractor concerns about the initial curing of concrete cylinders. The initial curing process occurs on the project site before the cylinders can be moved to a laboratory for further curing and subsequent testing. The American Concrete Paving Association has asked WSDOT to change the process of initial curing of cylinders by requiring the contractor to provide curing facilities at the project site. The issue was also raised during a Washington Aggregate and Concrete Association / WSDOT meeting. The State Construction Office will draft a proposed specification for review.

### PCC Pavement Rahab – New Section 5-01

Jim Spaid handed out a draft of a specification for 5-01 *Cement Concrete Pavement Rehabilitation* and 9-20 *Patching Material*. The existing section 5-01 is Sub sealing. This revision adds the dowel bar retrofit, PCCP panel replacements, spall repair, crack sealing, and grinding to the standard specifications. Many of these specifications have been used for years by special provision. The draft will go out for Region wide review some time in November 2002. Any comments would be appreciated.

What major issue do we take on next? Jim Spaid asked the group what topics they wanted to take on next. The following topics were suggested.

- Galvanizing of fence products – review of current specs for consistency
- Testing of storm sewer pipes – differences in the time for low pressure air testing on non-air-permeable pipe materials
- Shoring and extra excavation – review of current spec and how it is applied.

## **Other Business**

### *Discussion Topics*

The following list of topics will be kept as part of the minutes and future agendas to indicate the items that have surfaced as issues for discussion by the team. As each issue is addressed, it may be removed from the list. As new issues are raised, they will be added to the list as a reminder of the things that need discussion:

{Note: Issues that are added will now include the date (11/30/00) they were included on the list so the team can track their longevity}

- Shoulder Rock - further discussion of method of payment.
- Smoothness Specification for ACP - this is an issue of information. A subcommittee of the APWA/WSDOT Joint Task Force is working on the specifics of this issue.
- Longitudinal Wedge Joint

- Roller Speeds
- Testing Storm Sewer Pipe - recent changes in the testing requirements for HDPE pipe have increased the length of time for testing.  
(5/24/01) - What is the background for those changes?  
(9/20/01) - Discussed the duration of the test. Bill G. said why hold it so long when you know within the first few minutes if you have a leak and thus a failing pipe.
- Signal Detector Loops - Suggested the number of bid items could be reduced by bidding loops per each rather than separate bid items for each type of set (for instance, R1, R2, R3, etc. for loop sets of 1, 2 or 3 loops).
- Traffic Control Devices –NCHRP 350
- Paint Applications – What is the time required between the application (Std Spec Section 8-22)

### **Next Meeting**

December 12, 2002

January 16, 2003

The meetings will be held at the Tacoma AGC office beginning at 8:00am unless otherwise noted.